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SUBJECT: SECVISIT - 33RD UNGA

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1. FONMIN PUJA IS PRESENTLY ON VACATION. HE HAS NOT FIXED HIS FALL SCHEDULE BUT THE MFA BELIEVES HE WILL DEPART FOR THE UNGA SOME TIME BETWEEN SEP 20-23. THE EXACT TIMING OF HIS DEPARTURE IS DEPENDENT ON THE SCHEDULING OF A POSSIBLE VISIT TO NORWAY.

2. LIKEWISE, THE MFA IS NOT SURE HOW LONG PUJA WILL REMAIN IN THE U.S. HE USUALLY STAYS ABOUT TEN DAYS IN NEW YORK. ADDITIONALLY, HE PLANS A PRIVATE VISIT TO WASHINGTON TO SEE THE HUNGARIAN EMBASSY AND ALSO PLANS A SHORT PRIVATE TRIP TO NIAGARA FALLS.

3. AS SOON AS THE DATES OF PUJA'S VISIT BECOME FIRM WE WILL INFORM THE DEPARTMENT AND USUN.

4. EMBASSY ANTICIPATES THAT NEITHER THE HUNGARIAN CHIEF OF STATE NOR HEAD OF GOVERNMENT WILL ATTEND THE UNGA.
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5. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION THAT MRS. PUJA WILL ACCOMPANY THE FOREIGN MINISTER.

6. RECOMMENDATION: IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS IN REFTTEL (A), EMBASSY HAS NOT DISCUSSED WITH THE MFA THE POSSIBILITY THAT PUJA WILL MEET WITH THE

SECRETARY. WE RECOMMEND, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH A MEETING BE SCHEDULED. THE HUNGARIANS ARE UNDOUBTEDLY COUNTING ON IT, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS DURING THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS, AND THEIR HOPE THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO PROSPER. THEY ARE PLEASED WITH THE FACT THAT THE SECRETARY AND PUJA MET THREE TIMES DURING THE PAST YEAR AND THAT EACH OF THESE MEETINGS HELPED RESOLVE OUTSTANDING ISSUES. THEY HIGHLY VALUE THIS PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP AND WOULD PROBABLY READ THE FAILURE OF THE SECRETARY TO MEET PUJA THIS FALL AS AN INEXPLICABLE SIGN OF U.S. DISPLEASURE. THIS IS PARTICULARLY SO IN VIEW OF THE WARMTH WITH WHICH GOVERNOR HARRIMAN WAS RECEIVED BY THE HUNGARIAN OFFICIALS DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO HUNGARY AS THE OFFICIAL GUEST OF PUJA.

7. GOVERNOR HARRIMAN PARTICIPATED IN THE LAST MEETING WITH PUJA AND IF A MEETING WITH PUJA IS SCHEDULED THIS FALL, WE RECOMMEND THAT HE BE INVITED AGAIN TO PARTICIPATE.
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